

File: Terminal

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Processing, ODP
FROM : Clifford D. May, Jr.
Director of Data Processing
SUBJECT : NSA Standard Soft Copy Terminals

1. NSA has adopted a version of the Delta Data 7000 terminal as the NSA standard soft copy terminal. The new terminal was acquired competitively and, I am told, the terminal and its disks meet full NACSEM 5100 tempest requirements. I am also advised that the unit cost of the basic Tempest terminal is [redacted]

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2. I would like for you to conduct an analysis of the NSA terminal to determine whether it has a place in our overall family of Tempest soft copy terminals - perhaps as a low cost limited utility device. In this connection, I would like you to prepare a matrix comparing our terminals to the NSA terminals, feature for feature. In addition, I want to be sure that we are not paying Delta Data under our contract for work on Tempest protection which the government has already paid for under the NSA contract. I would like for you to probe this possibility. Finally, I have committed ODP to send to [redacted] my counterpart at NSA, a description of the features included in our new terminal. I think the RFP and contractor's proposal should contain this information and should be forwarded to [redacted]

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3. The people at NSA are expecting to hear from you on this matter. I said that [redacted] would probably be the man who would contact them. Their contact is [redacted]

4. I believe that we should take the initiative to acquaint DIA with what we are doing terminal-wise. Perhaps such a move might encourage a greater degree of terminal standardization in the Community. If you agree that this is worth pursuing, see if you can arrange a contact with DIA through CSPO.

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